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BIG ENOUGH FOR DOZEN FLEETS

San Francisco Bay Accommodations Will Be Ample for Reception of the Battleships

DOCKAGE FACILITIES ARE TO BE INCREASED

Harbor Board Forbids Dumping of Waste Oil Into Bay, for It Would Glisten Sides of the War Vessels.

(Special to the Republican.) SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—President Stanford of the harbor board, says that not only will there be no blocking of the ferry boat routes when the war craft of the country assemble here next spring, but that the port could accommodate a dozen more such naval gatherings. It is the land side where a problem might arise, for he believes that the city will have to care for a throng of people larger than has ever taxed hotel capacity before. The spectacle that the great fleet of warships will afford will draw visitors here, he believes, from all part of the country. It is fortunate that the rebuilding thus far has been of hotels and that San Francisco will be better provided for entertaining her guests than she would have been before the fire.

The harbor board has already begun preparations to accommodate the warships. The engineer has been instructed to draw plans for a large port, costing \$1500 to \$2000, that shall be for the exclusive use of the naval launches as a landing place. The Mission street dock is to be assigned to the visiting fleet for this purpose. This will be the most convenient location possible for the car service of the city. Heretofore the naval launches have had to use the boats-rented by the state to the private launch companies. The harbor commission aims on the coming occasion, however, to afford every convenience and facility to the navy. "We want to give the sea fighters the best we have," is President Stanford's purpose.

From now on the pumping of oil into the bay is to be stopped. Steamers using fuel oil have been discharging of the dredges in their tanks by pumping them into the bay and the oil has made a dirty condition of things about the docks, as well as collecting on the water in places not strongly affected by the tides. In order that the visiting craft might keep spick and span the harbor will be made clean for them and vessels must hereafter go out near the gate to pump out their dredges so that the tide will carry them to sea.

"While in Lincoln I called on Bryan," said Bell in an interview, "and we talked over the situation. Bryan said that if the party wanted him to head the ticket again he was ready to accept to call and do his best."

OIL MEN WILL MARKET THEIR OWN PRODUCT

Meeting of Independents at Bakersfield Unanimously in Favor of Building Pipe Lines and Storage Facilities.

BAKERSFIELD, Calif., Dec. 18.—Representatives of the oil companies marketing up the producers sales agency, embarking interests in Kern river, McKittrick, Sumner, Midway and Coalinga in convention today enthusiastically supported the declaration of independence of the officials of the agency and voted without dissent that the association should at once proceed with the business of marketing its own oil.

To this end the directors of the agency, consisting of President, St. Clair, First Vice President, F. N. Schofield, second vice president, J. F. Keer; treasurer, H. A. Lincoln, and secretary, W. B. Robb were authorized to make all necessary arrangements.

BELL IS SEEKING CONVENTION HONOR

Making Active Campaign for Temporary Chairman of Democratic National Gathering.

CALHOUN MAY SELL UNITED RAILROADS

San Francisco Carlines May Be Taken Over By New York Electric Traction Magnate.

(Special to the Republican.) SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—According to the talk in the clubs of the city word has come from New York that Thomas F. Ryan, the Wall Street magnate, is going to take over the United Railroads of this city. It is said that Patrick Calhoun's mission to the eastern metropolis at the present time is in the interest of the deal.

Verification of the reported deal, which would involve millions, is at this time impossible, but it is given credence in many quarters. Since the disaster and particularly during the several weeks of the strike the receipts of the car company have been largely cuttled. While the securing of the trolley permit was a big boon, the conversion of the cable lines into electric necessitated a large outlay of cash.

Then came the tightness of the money market and the corporation became hard pressed for funds, as was the case of almost all large concerns. Credit must be given Calhoun, for the first-class manner in which he set out to reconstruct the car lines and for the good equipment he provided so far as the company's cash supply would go.

The report is further credited for the reason that the business interests of the United Railroads would be better subserved with Calhoun out of the company so far as San Francisco is concerned. It is argued that his induction for bonding would always be a handicap for the concern in its dealings with the municipality. Under a new management such hostility would disappear.

As a business proposition none is more attractive in the country than the United Railroads and it would in all probability be an easy matter to interest Ryan in it. There is apparently no disposition to interfere with the very valuable trolley permit, despite the fact that the supervisors have confessed that it was obtained by fraud. The receipts of the company are now going up by leaps and bounds and with the rapid rebuilding of the city the car system sees a brighter future before it than it ever had before.

If Calhoun wants to sell his road he can easily do so, undoubtedly.

TILLMAN STARTS COMMERCE DEBATE

Would Stop Shipment of Liquor Into Prohibition States Under Protection of Federal Law.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—In the Senate today resolutions were introduced by Senator Tillman asking the Interstate Commerce Commission to report whether any corporation engaged in interstate commerce is the owner of the stock of any other corporation carrying passengers and freight and calling on the Interstate Commerce Commission to define the authority of the federal government and the states in respect to the control of the liquor traffic through the operation of the Interstate commerce law.

These resolutions provoked considerable debate and were finally referred to the Senate committee, though one of them was transferred into a bill by Senator Knox of Pennsylvania.

Senator Gilchrist spoke on his resolution calling on the committee to finance to investigate and report upon the cause of the present financial stringency and to recommend measures for the prevention of its recurrence. The resolution was referred to the committee on finance.

The Senate adjourned at 4 o'clock until Saturday.

France Retains Rights. BRUSSELS, Dec. 17.—France and Belgium have concluded a convention which provides for the maintenance of France's preexisting rights in the Congo Independent state after the annexation of that territory to Belgium.

New York Central Dividend. NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The Senate discussed today for two hours a bill to allow the suspension during 1908 of the law requiring annual work on mining claims in the course of being perfected, to the amount of at least \$100 annually. The bill was urged because of the difficulty of securing funds for prosecuting the work. Action on the measure was finally defeated by a motion of Senator Carter, who called for an executive session at the moment when the bill was to be voted on. It cannot now come up until after the holidays.

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New Episcopal Bishop. NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Rev. Robert Lewis Paddock, pastor of the Church of the Holy Apostles in this city, was consecrated Episcopal missionary bishop of the diocese of Eastern Oregon today.

Aged Flagman Killed. OAKLAND, Dec. 18.—John E. Smith, an aged flagman, employed for the past three months at the Park street, Alameda crossing, was struck and killed by the locomotive of a local train this morning.

CORPORATION TAX RULES STRICTER

Commission Is Preparing Laws for the Coming Legislature to Compel Fuller Reports.

ADJOURNMENT FOR SIX MONTHS ORDERED

Report to Next Session of the Legislature of Revenue Experts Will Be as Comprehensive as the Last One Was.

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 18.—Enactment of laws which will compel corporations to give to the State Board of Equalization all the information which the board considers necessary for making just assessments of their properties was considered at length by the State Revenue and Taxation Commission and the State Board of Equalization today, along with other matters of importance.

The commission took up the revision of the political code sections relating to the taxation of banks and insurance companies and the subject of penalties to be imposed upon the failure of such corporations to make reports as required by the State Board of Equalization and what machinery should be provided for the payment of various corporation taxes.

As to penalties, it was the decision that there should not only be penalties for officers of corporations who failed to appear when cited but also for the corporations themselves in case they refuse to allow examination of their books or to furnish information desired by the equalization board.

In the latter case it was the opinion that the penalty should consist of a very heavy monetary fine.

As to the manner of payment of taxes, it was informally agreed that after the State Board of Equalization has fixed the taxes to be paid by the defendant corporations, a certified roll shall be transmitted to the state controller and notice given to all these corporations to pay the taxes assessed against them, payment to be made to the state treasurer.

When State Controller Nye was asked how the changing of the codes in this regard would affect such cases as that of the Pullman company, which last fall did not give to the State Board certain information desired, on the ground that the officials could not furnish such information, he said:

"It was stated by the officials of the Pullman company that they were not in a position to give certain information asked by the state board—in some instances holding that the Southern Pacific and Santa Fe companies were the only ones who could furnish the information desired. Under the new law proposed it would be compulsory upon the part of such companies to give the information asked. As the law would be specific and enumerate just what is required of the companies; so that neither the Pullman company, nor any other would be able to get around it."

The session of the commission came to a close today. No date was set for another meeting and it is probable that none will be held for six months. The commission makes its report direct to the legislature and it is probable that the one made to the next legislature will be quite as comprehensive as that made a year ago, as the commission is taking up many new problems and will have a number of recommendations to make regarding changes in existing laws.

BRADLEY EXPLOSION PRESENTED TO JURY

BOISE, Idaho, Dec. 18.—Today's proceedings in the Pettibone trial were given over almost entirely to the presenting of evidence on the explosion at the residence of Fred Bradley at San Francisco. A portion of this testimony was read from the Haywood case, according to the stipulation entered into between the attorneys for the state and the defense.

Clarence Darrow, chief counsel for the defense, was unable to attend the trial today but it was agreed that the defense would conclude its examination of Orcelard tomorrow without him. Senator Borah stated that the state would conclude its direct evidence tomorrow and an adjournment will probably then be taken until Monday, as Attorney Wilson announced that Darrow was the only attorney prepared to make the opening statement for the defense.

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Late tonight the coroner found two letters which indicated that Turner intended to take his life. Writing to his wife, Turner said that he thought she would be happier if he left her. In a letter to a friend, Turner asked that his wife be communicated with in care of Mrs. Nova Luskay, No. 378 Spruce street, Chicago.

Cabinet Officials Better. WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Secretary Carson who is ill with grippe, was considered somewhat better today. Secretary Metallic is also reported much better.

ABSCONDING BANKER CAUGHT IN MEXICO

William Walker, After Flight of Nearly a Year Must Answer For Wrecking Institution.

SAN DIEGO, Dec. 18.—A special dispatch to the Tribune from Ensenada says:

"Party arrested in mining camp about 100 miles back in the mountains and now in jail here awaiting identification, is supposed to be William F. Walker, formerly cashier of the Savings Bank of New Britain, Conn., and wanted on a charge of embezzlement in that city, and was only prevented from committing suicide by the timely intervention of the officers in charge."

The suspect Walker was arrested by a posse and chief of police from here accompanied by a detective from the states, at a mining camp called Bulares, in the mountains about 100 miles from Ensenada. The prisoner is about 5 feet 8 inches tall, of medium build, wears a mustache and Van Dyke beard. A small vial, which is supposed to contain poison, was taken from him just in time, also a revolver was taken from him after he had made a desperate attempt to use it.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The Pinkerton detective agency in this city conferred tonight the report that William F. Walker, the absconding treasurer of the New Britain, Conn., savings bank, had been captured at Ensenada, Lower California. Positive identifications has been made and Walker has consented to return to Connecticut without resort to extradition proceedings.

Walker was arrested at a mining camp 160 miles from Ensenada, which is Mexican territory, yesterday. He was taken by a representative of the detective agency at Los Angeles, assisted by a party of Mexicans. The prisoner was taken to Ensenada, where his identity was confirmed. He will be transferred to San Diego and then brought East at once.

The arrest of the former banker was brought about indirectly by information furnished to the officials of the New Britain Savings bank by the United States consul at Ensenada. The consul had seen the pictures of Walker sent broadcast after his disappearance and recognized the fugitive when he appeared some time ago in Ensenada. Before his capture he was taken to the mountains in the vicinity of Ensenada. After wandering about for some time, he found shelter at the mining camp, to which he was traced. Meantime Assistant Superintendent Hoffman of the Los Angeles office of the detective bureau had been put on the trail, and enlisting the aid of several Mexicans familiar with the region he ran down the absconder. The fact that the posse was searching for Walker became known and led to premature reports of his capture.

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The commission sent by President Roosevelt is examining witnesses and conducting an inquiry into labor conditions, but no statement of their program is being given out.

Governor Sparks has left for his ranch near Carson City and tomorrow morning General Funston will leave for San Francisco.

TAFT APPROVES OF BATTLESHIP CRUISE

Refuses to Discuss American Politics, Saying He Is Out of Touch.

ON BOARD STEAMER PRESIDENT GRANT (BY WIRELESS), HALIFAX, N.S., Dec. 17.—Secretary of War Taft, who is finishing the last stage of his journey around the world on the President Grant, will probably reach New York, next Friday.

In commenting today on the departure of the big American fleet of warships for the Pacific, the secretary said he regarded the cruise as the most important in the history of the nation.

"By this cruise they will gain experience which would not be obtainable in any other way," said he. "It would be useless to spend millions of dollars in building up a navy and then withdraw opportunity for practice."

Mr. Taft declared that the cruise had no international significance. He declined to discuss American politics, saying he had no possible knowledge of present political plans in the United States.

SUNKEN STEAMER IS MENACE TO SHIPPING

ORCHARD HAVEN, Mass., Dec. 18.—The steamer Jessie Barlow of Mystic, Conn., was run down and sunk in Foggy Rip Blue by the tug Lehigh last night and her crew of six men, who narrowly escaped being carried down with their vessel, reached the tug and were brought here today.

The Barlow was bound from South Anthon by Rockland, with coal and iron, a dangerous menace to navigation, one hundred feet north of the Foggy Rip lightship.

BE CLEARED OF JEWS WITHIN EIGHT DAYS

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 18.—A dispatch received here from Vladivostok declares that the Jews have been ordered to depart within four days. Jewish property holders have, however, been given eight days in which to liquidate.

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 18.—Adjutant General Linck today issued national guard commissions as follows:

Stanley White, San Francisco, major and quartermaster, second brigadier; Robert J. Maydavy, Los Angeles, lieutenant colonel and assistant surgeon, naval militia; Clarence H. Hunt, Pasadena, second lieutenant, Company I, seventh infantry, N. G. C.

If In Doubt Buy a Glove or Merchandise Order--HERE



"Santa" is here this week between 2 and 4 every day, to give "sweets" away to every good boy or girl, when with their parents.

THE Toys Are Fairly Melting Away Remarkable Selling

Certain lines were almost completely exhausted under yesterday's buying onslaught. Today will see other lines depleted. Yet, in the morning stocks will be renewed from reserves—shelves again, groaning under extraordinary values.

Extra Special Sale on Kid Body Dolls Half Off--SLIGHTLY SOILED

In transit these dolls were set,—on being able to buy almost perfect dolls, for just road company paid us the loss, half. Come early if you want and you will now reap the benefit of first choice.

Bab's in Toyland.

Teddy Bears for youngsters; great big fellows as well as tiny ones, but all one age—lower floor.

Wonderful BookSelling Made a New Record Yesterday

Everyone's getting in touch with what an unusually complete book store is here to help them—with what unusual values are here for them to share.

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Testaments.

Cloth bound....10¢ to 35¢.

Leather bound....25¢ to \$1.25.

Red letter....90¢ to \$1.35.

Cruden's Bible Concordance.....\$1.00.

Catholic Prayer Books, leather bound....50¢, 75¢.

.....\$1.25 and \$3.50.

Prayer Books and Hymnals.....80¢ to \$4.50.

Among the New Books.

We pride ourselves in having all the latest fiction as soon as published. We offer you at our uniform price, \$1.35, all the newest fiction listed by the publishers at \$1.50.

The Flyers, by George Barr McCutcheon.

The Daughters of Anderson Crow, by George Barr McCutcheon.

Nedra, by George Barr McCutcheon.

Jane Cable, by George Barr McCutcheon.

The Day of the Dog, by George Barr McCutcheon.

Beverly of Graustark, by George Barr McCutcheon.

The Shuttle, by Frances Hodgson Burnett.

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No store hereabouts surpasses us in staple and fancy hosiery supplies. Prices for some of the finest stockings begin at 25¢; pure silk hose in black at \$1.50 and higher. These make excellent gifts.

CHRISTMAS HANDKERCHIEFS

This handkerchief department is solving the gift problem for a surprisingly large number of people these days, solving it satisfactorily, too.

Children's fancy handkerchiefs up from.....5¢.

In fancy boxes of 3 each, per box.....18¢.

Embroidered initials, white or fancy, box of 3 for.....25¢.

Women's plain white hemstitched kerchiefs at.....5¢.

Women's pure linen hemstitched, up from.....10¢.

Women's hemstitched initials, pure linen, up from.....12 1/2¢.

Women's pretty novelties at.....25¢, 35¢, 50¢ and up.

Women's dainty Armenian embroidered, up from.....75¢.

Women's real lace kerchiefs, up from.....\$3.50.

A Rustling Silk Petticoat

Is pretty, and really a showy gift. Here for.....\$4.00. The Game of "Diabolo" is the latest craze; each....50¢ up.

Any Lady will appreciate a handsome back comb, a pretty shopping bag, or an elegant box of Gottschalk's high grade French mixed candy.

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Dr. Wilson's Patent Block.

REEDLEY WANTS ROAD INTO HILLS

Will Petition Board of Supervisors for It.

Chamber of Commerce Favors the Project and Will Aid Petitioners.

Reedley wants a road built into the foothills, which will intersect with the Visalia road to Madera, according to the statement of J. L. Dickinson last evening at the meeting of the Chamber of Commerce. "T. L. Reed," said Dickinson, "told me that he had a petition prepared for the road and that all arrangements for the right of way have been completed, but that the Reedley people wanted to know if the Chamber of Commerce of the county would cooperate with the Reedley Board of Trade in presenting the matter to the board of supervisors."

In order to haul wood and other things from the hills, the people of Reedley have to go in a roundabout way, and the proposed roadway is practically level and straight, and would be a great convenience to the residents of that district.

It was unanimously agreed by the members of the Chamber last evening that the Reedley Board would be aided in every way in their petition for the road, and the influence of the organization given to the project.

The medals awarded Fresno county for exhibits at the Sacramento State fair, were received yesterday. They consist of two gold medals for beer and oil, and two silver medals for unfermented wine and soap.

A letter was received yesterday from Chairman Rufus P. Jennings of the California Promotion committee, thanking the Chamber of Commerce for the entertainment of the delegates of the counties committee during the recent convention. The following resolution of thanks was received:

Thanking Fresno County for Courtesies.

Resolved, by the counties committee of the California Promotion committee, in eighth semi-annual meeting assembled, at Fresno, the county seat of one of the prosperous counties in the center of the wealth-producing San Joaquin valley, that the hearty thanks of the delegates be extended to the people of Fresno, city and county, to the officers and members of the Fresno county chamber of commerce; and to the ladies of this thriving region, for the cordial reception and thoughtful arrangements made for the entertainment of the visitors; and that we take this opportunity to express our admiration of Fresno county's resources and opportunities and express our confidence that it will continue to increase in population, in wealth, and in attractiveness.

COLLEGE PLAY STAR HARVARD GRADUATE

Henry Woodruff, Playing "Brown of Harvard," Claims College as Alma Mater.

There are a dozen reasons why Henry Woodruff, star of "Brown of Harvard" which comes to the Burton, tomorrow night, is the ideal hero for a college play, and a dozen more why he is peculiarly qualified for such performance in a Harvard play. To mention a few of the most striking:

"He is a college graduate; he is an all-round athlete; he is particularly expert as an oarsman; he is young and handsome; he looks the college man to the ground; he fairly bubbles with the spirit of youth; he is Harvard man and he has the traditions of his Alma Mater close at heart.

Mr. Woodruff is one of the few men who at college, won equal distinction in the class room, and in athletics. He took his B. A. at Harvard at the head of his class in 1893 and at the same time was recognized as the fastest oarsman in a single shell on the Charles river. At sprinting and boxing, too, he was equally clever, winning the 100-yard dash at the track meet in '97 in ten seconds flat, and being accounted the swiftest middle weight in Harvard during his entire four years there.

Along with his studies, and his work upon the river, the cluster bath and in the gymnasium, Mr. Woodruff found time to fill the duties of stage director for the Cambridge Dramatic society and to take the leading part in all its productions. This position fell to him naturally, for he was a famous actor before he went to college.

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Court Notes.

Matthew Rogello has decried to the complaint of Jack Delmas for the cancellation of three deeds to Sanger property on the ground that it does not appear from the complaint in what manner he is next of kin or sole heir at law of the deceased wife, Caroline Rogello, who is alleged to have made the deeds.

The pronouncing of sentence on S. J. Farabee, the Squaw Valley Wood chopper, for having received property, knowing it to have been stolen in a burglary by his brother-in-law, James Richardson, the outlaw, has been set by Judge Austin for next Monday morning.

The negro, Scansell, accused of robbery, will have his trial before Judge Austin and jury to-day.

FIVE COUPLES HAPPIER FOR LICENSES GRANTED

Licenses to marry were issued yesterday to the following named:

William Condry, native of Massachusetts, aged 34, resident of Porterville, Tulare county, and Callie Padin, native of California, aged 26, and resident of Sanger.

Leonard L. Smith, native of Missouri, aged 24, and resident of Fresno, and Mae Hawkins, native of Illinois, aged 22 and resident of Clovis.

F. S. Williams, native of Vermont, aged 25, and Leonor A. Morrison, native of Texas, aged 23, residents of Fresno.

Lorenzo Preston, aged 64, and Mrs. Belle Billings, aged 61, natives of Wisconsin and residents of Sanger, Tulare county.

Walter Hontry, aged 25, native of Wisconsin and Josie Cooper, aged 23, native born; residents of Fowler.

Burglars at Alviso.

SAN JOSE, Dec. 18.—Burglars last night entered the Southern Pacific office at Alviso, also the store of R. Tracy and company, but obtained only a few stamps in the former place and a lot of clothing in the latter. It is supposed they were tramps.

the successful New England drama,

"For Mother's Sake," which will be the Burton's attraction next Sunday night, December 22nd. The prevailing prices will be 25, 50 and 75 cents.

BURIED WITH G.A.R. BADGE ON HIS COAT

That Was One of the Directions in Sondecker's Will.

Estate of Charles J. Brown, the Clovis Farmer, Appraised at Over \$40,000.

Sarah A. Sondecker, the widow, has applied for the probate of the will of Ephraim Sondecker, who, when he died at the age of 57, in Cleveland, Ohio, in March last, left property here consisting of a half interest in a Scandinavian colony vineyard, which interest is valued at \$2,000. He left a will dated April 22, 1890, and as heirs the widow; son of Chicago, Illinois, and two daughters, Ella L. Lenhart, aged 47, and Viola L. Sondecker, aged 50, residents of Fresno. The will made these bequests, appointing also the widow as executrix without bond.

To the son, Byron E., chest and tools used by the testator in his trade as a pattern maker.

To eldest daughter, Viola S., \$25.

The youngest, 11, Ella L. Lenhart, wife of Paul R. Lenhart, \$25.

To the wife all household goods, real and personal property and all money after payment of legacies.

The will also made this direction:

It is my wish to be buried by rights of the Grand Army Republic should there be a post within five miles of where I may reside when death occurs.

Should no post respond to my wishes, then my wife may choose such rights if any, as she may desire. I desire also that the G. A. R. badge be placed on the left lapel of my coat and to be interred with my remains.

Two Divorces Granted.

Two divorces were granted by Judge Austin. Frank P. Jones was freed from Irene Jones on the grounds of her desertion. She defaulted in the case, but as proof of her desertion was introduced a pencil scribbled letter from Lemon Cove declaring his overtures to her to return to him and stating that her refusal was a finality because his cruel treatment of her had made her hate him. The Jones married here in May, 1896, and there are two children with the mother at Lemon Cove.

Margaret A. Goss was divorced from Max Goss on the ground of his extreme cruelty. This was another default case. Their marriage occurred in March, 1902, and it was the woman's second matrimonial venture. They have lived in Madera and Clovis and she complained of his treatment of plotting to trap her, of insisting that she abandon her son by the former marriage and lavish her attentions solely upon him and at various times cruelly treating her because she showed her mother love for the boy, such exhibitions arousing intense jealousy on the part of the defendant.

His Plea Was Rejected.

L. H. Hollingsworth, the former, who is accused of incest with his 15 year old daughter, Bertha, appeared before Judge Austin yesterday and was permitted to withdraw his original plea of not guilty. Being then called upon for his plea, he said he was not guilty but would plead guilty because he understood they would introduce evidence to show him up as guilty. Judge Austin refused to accept such a plea and the case went over with out any definite date having been set.

It is understood that the authorities have admissions of the prisoner's guilt. At the preliminary examination, the girl testified that she was over.

A Nice Little Estate.

An inventory into the estate of Charles J. Brown places the value at \$40,730.28, namely \$1184 cash, the northwest quarter of section 30-12-21 valued at \$3,000; improvements, \$2500; equity in 369 acres at \$4 an acre in section 6-12-21, \$2160; 2543, 39 acres in sections of township 11, range 21, \$5,000; two life insurance policies, \$5,000, besides personal and other real property. Brown was a farmer in the Clovis country where death from apoplexy was a sudden one.

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In winter no amount of warm clothing will make you safe if your vitality is low. Warmth inside is what you must have.

Scott's Emulsion

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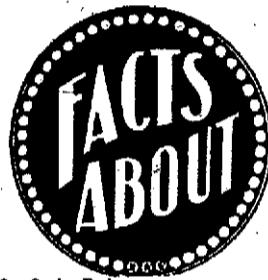
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THE BANKS' TURN NOW

Governor Gillett has announced that there will be no more bank holidays after Monday, which is good news. Business has been going on as if there were no holidays, but the very fact that it was done under the protection of a law suspending all proceedings to enforce the payment of debt produced a sense of strain which will now be relieved. There is a difference in the sense of security which one feels behind barred doors, and on the streets of a well policed city.

Governor Gillett, in announcing the close of the bank holidays, touched off considerable stage thunder among the San Francisco bankers by telling a small part of the truth about their personal attitude toward the situation. He complained that they had been publicly announcing that the holidays were no longer needed, while privately asking him to continue them, thereby thrusting on him a responsibility which they should bear themselves. We are glad the governor spoke out. It has been the characteristic attitude of the San Francisco bankers from the beginning to make everybody else take the responsibility while they took all the protection. They claimed from the beginning, and still claim, that the holidays were demanded by the country banks, when in fact the demand came from them. They claimed that the protection needed was for other businesses, and the country banks, when in fact they were terribly frightened for themselves. They deprecated hoarding by others, when in fact they did nearly all the hoarding that was done. And, to prevent panic, they themselves did nearly all the things that caused panic. Governor Gillett has stretched patience to the limit with them, and we are glad that he finally warned them that they must take their own responsibility for their own course.

Now that the bank holidays are to close, there should begin a new stage in the relation of the banks and the public. Hitherto the public has been doing everything to help the banks; now the banks should do something to help the public. When it was a question of maintaining confidence in the solvency of the banks and preventing runs, it was the business of the public to be patient, silent and self-sacrificing, and this has been done. But that stage has now passed. The soundness of the banks has been demonstrated to superfluity. Their vaults are bursting with cash which they will not pay out; they are hoarding reserves to twice the amount demanded by good banking, thereby contracting the currency and exaggerating the very evil they seek to guard against, and they are refusing loans, even on the best security. They are so sound and over-sound, and have demonstrated that fact so absolutely, that no one but a crazy man would now think of drawing his money out of bank and hiding it away. If the banks were to resume specie payment tomorrow, there would be no general hoarding, and any individual hoarder could soon be disciplined by a general agreement among merchants, on receipt of his name from the bank, to demand of him immediate payment of all bills, and cash in advance, in coin, for all purchases. The time has come when the banks no longer need protection against the public; but the public is very decidedly entitled to renewed help from the banks.

When the bank holidays cease, accrued mercantile paper, as well as all matured obligations, will become immediately due. These can not be paid unless the banks will revive the methods by which they have always been paid. Not only must checks against balances be honored, but credit must be revived. Not all business can be done on a cash basis, even with bank balances. The business public can not repay loans unless it is also free to make loans. New credits are imperative if old credits are to be extinguished. After all the sacrifices which business has made to maintain the credit of the banks, during a crisis, the banks should now show like confidence in business, by extending credit to it.

And they should get back on a cash basis. There is more coin in California now than there was when this scare began, and there is less business to do with it. The banks have plenty of coin, if they will pay it out. Clearing house certificates did very well, to tide over a crisis, but that crisis has passed and the certificates should be retired. If the banks wish to take advantage of this opportunity to try out the California public in the use of paper money—real money, not scrip—that may be proper enough, but not if their purpose is to hoard the gold and keep half the money in California idle. The banks of California have fared well, in this crisis. While clearings in New York have declined 38 per cent; 34 per cent in the Middle States; 22 per cent in New England; 16 per cent in the Middle West and the South; and 30 per cent in the country at large, they have declined only 8 per cent on the Pacific Coast. Reserves here, also, are twice what the law and good banking require. With only one-tenth of the loss of their Eastern colleagues, and twice the cash on hand, the California banks have had protection enough. They are now safe against any portion of the public except the few absolute imbeciles, and there are means of protecting

them individually against these. It is high time, with the cessation of the bank holidays, that the banks resume those functions toward the public which the public has long enough foregone for their benefit. The hearing that needs to be stopped now is bank hoarding.

HENRY NOT A CANDIDATE

The Examiner printed the other day what purported to be an interview with Daniel A. Ryan, suggesting that Francis J. Heney, is the obvious man for the Lincoln-Roosevelt league to support for United States senator. We do not know that Ryan made the remark quoted, but if he did, it expressed only his individual opinion, and not that of the Lincoln-Roosevelt league. George Van Smith, in a signed article in the Call yesterday, made a positive denial "from sources that may be taken as entirely authoritative," of any such purpose, on the part of either the league or Mr. Heney, and it may be well for the Republican, speaking with positive knowledge, to confirm this denial. Francis J. Heney is not and will not be a candidate for United States senator, on the Lincoln-Roosevelt ticket, or any other, and would not accept such a nomination if tendered him. Neither is there the slightest intention, on the part of the Lincoln-Roosevelt league, to tender the nomination to Heney, or, for that matter, to any one else.

It is probably understood that the reason Mr. Heney has not formally declared himself a Republican is that he wishes to avoid the imputation of personal political ambition. For all practical purposes, Mr. Heney is not only a Republican, but a very active one. He is an Republican as Roosevelt is, which is Republican enough for anybody. He has enlisted in the work of a Republican organization, devoted to a purpose which that organization has made in California, as President Roosevelt has made it in the nation, a partisan Republican purpose. Mr. Heney is actively in politics, state and national, and in both cases in Republican politics. He could, without untruth, stultification or embarrassment, declare himself a Republican, and he has practically done so in every way except the formal pronouncement of the four fatal, but more or less meaningless words: "I am a Republican." From the standpoint of convention regularity, these four words might be necessary to qualify him for a party nomination to a partisan office, and he has avoided saying them just to prevent this qualification. So it may be taken as final that Francis J. Heney is not and will not be candidate for United States senator.

As to the league, itself, its policy in regard to the senatorship is already on record, in a formal resolution, adopted by unanimous vote of its executive committee, and given the widest possible publicity, for the purpose of preventing just such misunderstandings. That resolution recited that it was no part of the purpose of the league to forward or oppose the candidacy of any individual for the United States senate, but that it invited all candidates for that office to make their canvass before the legislature and the people. The league's purpose is to secure the election of the sort of legislature fit to be intrusted with its constitutional duty in this matter. This is the fixed policy of the league, and, so far as its organization is concerned, it will be adhered to. Nothing could change it but the voices of the people themselves, organized in clubs throughout the state, and speaking through delegates to a general league assembly. And such action, amounting practically to a popular nomination, would be possible only in case the sentiment of the whole people were to concentrate on one man, of which there is not the slightest present indication.

Speaking for itself alone, and not as an organ of the league, the Republican is still of the opinion which it expressed before the league was formed; but which it has avoided saying much about since, for fear of misunderstanding—that the best use which the state of California can make of the reputation and ability of Francis J. Heney is to elect him governor, three years from now. We need somebody in the governor's chair to smash heads, and there is no one in California so well fitted for that job, or whose election would constitute so clear a popular mandate that head-breaking is what is wanted, as Francis J. Heney. We need him as governor. But, frankly, we do not think there is the slightest likelihood of getting him. There is no movement on the part of the Lincoln-Roosevelt league to groom him for that office, and we are sorry to say that we do not believe he would accept it if it were tendered to him.

"ABYSMAL?"

The Argonaut gets pettishly indignant at the "ignorance" of newspaper reporters, because one of them described strychnine as a "deadly acid," and another said that a suicide who had taken laudanum fell in convulsions. Of course strychnine is not an acid, but an alkaloid, administered either as such or as a salt in which the alkaline, not the acid, constituent is the active poison, and convulsions are not a symptom of laudanum poisoning. Doubtless the reporter in question did not know the difference between an acid and an alkaloid, and possibly the Argonaut is right in describing such lack of information as "abysmal ignorance." But we hope not. We readily hope that a knowledge of chemistry and toxicology is not absolutely essential to a competent journalist. For only in the next paragraph, the Argonaut itself falls into the same abyss of ignorance. It says: "It is hard to imagine that there is anywhere in the world a city editor who does not know that cyanide of potassium and strychnine are alkaloids and not acids." Inasmuch as cyanide of potassium is not an alkali at all, but a neutral salt, in which the acid and not the alkaline constituent is the active factor, and even strychnine is not strictly speaking

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A "SOCIETY" EDITORIAL

The San Francisco Chronicle has shown vacillation and timidity enough, during the whole civic upheaval, but we had hardly expected it to hide away a stand-off editorial at the tall end of a society item which it does not dare print on its editorial page. Yet this is the closing paragraph of an account of what the Chronicle calls "a significant incident at the society vaudeville at the Chutes-on-Monday night," at which the appearance of Miss Calhoun, daughter of Patrick Calhoun, was received with more applause than was accorded to any other number:

"The picture was undeniably a pretty one, but the audience evidently had something else in mind, and that something was pretty freely expressed in the lobbies afterward, where rain was given to the opinion that the demonstration was more intended as an expression of sympathy for the father than as a tribute to the daughter. Some of the views which found utterance were at variance with those current in prosecution circles, and among those who find their diversion in wrecking street cars, but they undoubtedly represented the sentiments of a large part of the community which is coming to believe that the element of fair play and justice has not been given as much consideration as it deserved in this city during the last few months."

It is not doubtful that the San Francisco "society" did mean just this by its applause. San Francisco "society" does not believe that Patrick Calhoun ought to be prosecuted; nor that it doubts his guilt, but that, in the first place, he is a gentleman, and gentlemen ought not to be subject to vulgar prosecutions, and, in the second place, he smashed a union, and for that service he ought to be forgiven for anything else he may have done. This is the prevalent conviction of the higher social circles, whose moral standards are of the sort recently named by Professor Ross "criminaloid." It is also strikingly evident that Patrick Calhoun has been exploiting himself and his family socially in order to appeal to just this feeling. How the family like it we do not know, but personal observation of Calhoun himself, at several of these functions, leaves the impression that he is undeniably bored. He is far too intelligent and cultured (albeit criminaloid) a gentleman to really enjoy prancing in the smart set, and he shows it. What we shall think of the good taste of thrusting this sort of social publicity on himself and his family, and of forcing himself where he may not be wanted, is perhaps a matter for private rather than public opinion. But the fact is too obvious for question.

As to the Chronicle, if this is its opinion, it should say so, in its editorial columns, and thereby raise itself at least to the level of the venal Oakland Tribune or the contemptible News Letter. And if it is not its opinion, it should not kickspit its smart set readers by saying so in its society items.

As in considering the right and wrong of this question, it should never be forgotten that while the personal criminality of Patrick Calhoun is before the courts, to be settled there, the moral question, with which along the public is concerned, is already settled. It is conceded that the United Railroads bribed the supervisors. If Patrick Calhoun did not know it then, he knows it now. Somebody is personally guilty of that crime, and if Patrick Calhoun is not that man, he knows who is. Far from co-operating in uncovering the crime and punishing the criminal, he is spending literally millions to obstruct the discovery of the crime, and is assuming now, whatever he may have had then, full responsibility for the policy of the company, which is conceded to have been criminal. So, on the only question now before the bar of public opinion, the moral identification of Calhoun with the bribery of the supervisors is unquestioned. The only open issue is the one to be decided by each man's conscience, whether he defends or condemns that bribery. The Chronicle defends it—at the tall end of a society column. It should summon the courage to do so in its editorial column.

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"Suppose, in order to save the Nation, the Republican National Convention stampedes, nominates Theodore Roosevelt by acclamation and adjourns. What will President Roosevelt do?" —Sacramento Bee.

President Roosevelt has himself told us what he will do. He will not accept the nomination.

BANKER'S DEATH CLOSES BANK

End of Financier Appears to Have Been By Suicide—Had Made Bad Loans.

BRATTLEBORO, Mass., Dec. 18.—The Jewelers' National Bank of this town whose vice-president and cashier, Frederick E. Sargent, was found dead in a bath tub in his apartments last night, failed to open its doors for business today. Bank Examiners Alfred Ewer and Harry N. Currier are making an investigation.

Although Albert H. Wiggins, president of the bank, who is in New York, sent communication from that city last night the institution should be open for business as usual today, the directors at an early meeting today voted to keep the doors closed until a thorough examination of its books had been made. The following notice was posted on the door:

"This bank will not open for business today, pending an investigation of its affairs, per orders of the board of directors."

Bank Examiners Alfred E. Ewer and Harry N. Currier arrived here early today and at once began an investigation, being assisted in their work by the officials of the bank.

C. B. Holden, the medical examiner stated today, that he had not given the cause of the death of Mr. Sargent, as "accidental drowning," as reported last night, but simply as "drowning." Further than this, he declined to discuss the case. It was expected that President Wiggins, who also is vice-president in the Chase National Bank of New York, would arrive here some time today.

As most of the manufacturing jewelers in this town and in Attleboro have been doing business with the Jewelers' National Bank, it is anticipated that there will be some difficulty in making up the pay-rolls of the factories if the bank remains closed. Wednesday is the regular pay day at two of these factories.

According to the last statement of the bank the capital was \$100,000, surplus and undivided profits, \$40,350, deposits, \$1,850,710, and loans and discounts, \$917,760.

The bank was the successor of the Attleboro National Bank, which was organized for the convenience of the jewelry trade in that district.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Albert H. Wiggins, president of the Jewelers' National Bank of North Attleboro, who lives in this city, said today:

"The sudden death of Cashier Sergeant naturally excited suspicion and caused an immediate investigation of the condition of the bank.

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Dust laden with the germs of consumption or other disease is inhaled by all who use the streets, but disease is not developed unless the germs find conditions suitable for their lodgment and growth.

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The unusual way in which Hyomei is sold should dispel all doubt as to its curative properties, for the San Joaquin Drug company offer to refund the price to anyone whom it fails to benefit. You do not risk a cent in testing the healing virtues of this breath of life, for with every \$1.00 out the San Joaquin Drug company give a guarantee to relieve catarrh or money refunded.

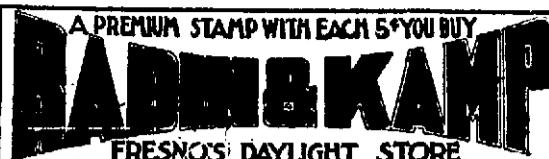
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Children's genu white Thibet fur Muff and Box,
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Men's patent leather dress shoes;
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THE WEATHER

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—The pres-
sure is beginning to fall along the coast
north of the Panhandle, and conditions
are favorable for rain. As yet no rain
has fallen west of the Rocky mountains
but there has been decided increase in
cloudiness.The weather continues cool and there
will be but little change in the next
twenty-four hours.San Joaquin valley: Cloudy Thursday,
with frost in the morning. Light west
wind.Temperature (dry bulb) 45
Temperature (wet bulb) 41
Humidity 67
Wind W. (mi. per hr.) 4
Maximum temperature 52
Minimum temperature 40
Today's rainfall 0.8
Rainfall to date 1.96
Frost, frost in morning

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and special see Holland's
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Mrs. Elbert, Sorrel, 1150 1 St.

Dr. Aten, dentist, Forsyth Blvd.

Ask for Danish Creamery butter.

Kata Parsons florist, 1915 Fresno St.

Learn why Dr. Kearns' glasses give
such fine vision. 2030 Mariposa.The largest assortment of double and
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Randy's, 249 1 St.Christmas presents for men at Nyman
Loy's, 1938 Mariposa St.Bring your premium tickets now. Lots
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Store.Hughes Hotel Grill is first class and
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of the county orphanage will be left at the residence of Mrs. C. J. Craycroft,
533 O St.Holiday furnishings for men, bath
robes, suit cases, reefers, handkerchiefs,
neckwear, suspenders, hosiery, at Nyman
Loy's.Judge Briggs yesterday suspended sentence
in the case of Charles Smith,
charged with being drunk, and dis-
missed the case against Eugene Liske, charged
with vagrancy.Las Palmas Lodge No. 868, F. & A. M.
meets this (Thursday) evening at 7:30.
Work in Third Degree by Brother Pot-
ter. Election of officers. J. P. Bernhard,
W. M., C. E. Hamilton, Sec.Justice Smith performed two marriage
ceremonies yesterday uniting Lee E.
Sullenger, aged 21 years, and Mae V.
Dvorak, 19 years of age, both of Fresno,
and John E. Goulet, 24, and Isabel F.
Reglin, 18, both of Los Palms.A dog, thought to have been mad,
caused considerable excitement in the
neighborhood of Washington grammar
school on Fresno near O street yester-
day afternoon. The police were notified
and Fountainer Meepney went out and
killed the animal.The funeral of Nancy Arrey, who died
at her home near Fresno Tuesday, will
be held from the parlor of Stephens &
Dean at 9 o'clock this morning. Solemn
service, high mass will be celebrated
at the St. John Catholic church. Inter-
ment Mountain View cemetery.Declarations of intention to become
American citizens were made yesterday
by the following named: John Garagin,
carpenter, of 1232 F street; George
Antonaros, brick mason, of 1232 F street;
Alfred Wolfchel, Turner, of Parlier; Soren
Paulson, carpenter, of 322 M; and Peter
Pelemelech, farmer, of 2005 Mariposa
street.

PERSONAL MENTION.

W. M. Johnson has returned to Fresno
from Salt Lake.John E. Prior of Hanford is registered
at the fives.The following people from nearby
towns are registered at the Grand Central:
C. A. Parker, Parlier; O. E. Nurce,
Mrs. F. E. Norris, Paul Rand, H. C.
Williams, Continga; C. A. Smith, O. B.
Briggs, Laton; R. W. Williams, Han-
ford; Mrs. N. Armstrong, Reedley; Mrs.
J. H. Parker, Mrs. P. R. and Miss R.
Loomis, Modesto; Mrs. U. R. Lalonde,
Banger.M. Cohen, father-in-law of Police
Sergeant George Machen, is very ill at
his home, 1521 E St.CLAIMS FRIEND STOLE
HIS BIG BANK ROLLAlleging that a friend named Sam
Martin, with whom he had been drinking
in a resort at Pollock, picked up a
bank-roll containing \$116 that he had
dropped on the floor, and ran away
with it, William Wilson avowed to a
complaining before Judge Graham yes-
terday charging Martin with grand larceny
and a warrant issued for his arrest.Wilson states that Martin was broke
when he first met him and that after-
ward he and a number of his compa-
nions were seen to display considerable
coin. Wilson made a quiet search
through the saloons of Fresno for his
 erstwhile friend, but it finally gave up
and appealed to the sheriff for assistance
in locating him.CHARLES CLARK FAILS
TO APPEAR FOR TRIALCharles Clark, charged with selling
whiskey without a license last summer
near the Fair grounds, failed to appear
before Justice Smith yesterday to an-
swer to the charge although he is under
bond to do so. His attorney stated to
the Court that Clark is up in the
mountains and that it was physically
impossible for him to come in. His
trial was postponed indefinitely.

DIED

BRITTON.—In Fresno, December 17th,
1907, Mary Elvira, the infant daughter
of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Britton of 2561
Harvey avenue, a native of California,
aged 3 months and 25 days.Funeral services were held yester-
day afternoon at Stephen & Sons'
parlor at 2:30 o'clock. Interment was
made in Mountain View.KNEPPER.—Parisher Creek District,
December 16th, 1907, Mrs. Emily A.
Knepper, a native of Williamsburg,
Ohio, aged 49 years.Funeral will be held from the resi-
dence of Frank H. Short, 2125 Calaveras
Ave., at 2 this afternoon.

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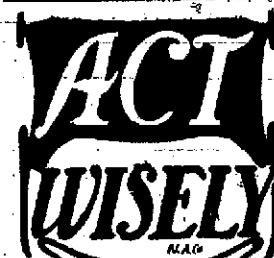
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Events In Society

The Whittier Centenary, which falls on December 13th, was celebrated yesterday by the members of the Wednesday club, led by Mrs. J. A. Webster, at whose charming home the event took place. There were some pleasant surprises arranged by the ladies for the afternoon, to all of whom exceptional pleasure, to all the ladies who had the good fortune to be present. It was not a day of strenuous papers. The hostess sympathized with the condition of her club sisters these busy holiday times, and demanded no papers; so each member felt free from responsibility in this respect. In place of original papers some unusually fine articles from leading magazines were read and discussed in the congenial manner characteristic of this particular gathering of club spirits.

At the door to greet each guest was a dainty Quakeress whose sweet face and pretty silvery tresses beneath the Quaker cap proclaimed one of the club's most cherished members, Mrs. A. C. Swartz.

The large living room was divested of all modern appointments and in their place were spinning wheels, a kettle on the crane, warming pans and all the appointments of Whittier's kitchen of which it was almost an exact reproduction.

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In the December Atlantic Monthly, Eliza Perry had a clever article called "Whittier for Today" which Mrs. W. T. Barr read for the entertainment of the club. As this is also Longfellow's centenary year Mrs. J. M. Wrightson read of its coming observation in February.

In conclusion the ladies partook of a "cup of sweet cider" and helped themselves from old-fashioned bowls filled with rosy-cheeked apples.

If the atmosphere can make things seem true surely the guests felt repaid for the charming visit upon which their hosts took them to the home of this beloved poet of the American people.

On account of the holidays there will be no meeting of the Alpha Whist club this week.

HUSBAND AND WIFE ENGAGE IN BATTLE

Hot Words Lead to Assault and Husband's Arrest.

Family Troubles Extending Over Long Period Brought to Climax By Chance Meeting.

Robert Byrd was arrested by Constable McSwain yesterday afternoon on a charge of battery on complaint of his wife. Byrd was taken before Justice Smith entered a plea of not guilty to the charge and was released under \$50 bail. The date of his trial has not yet been set.

Immediately after his release his wife caused him to be served with summons in an action for divorce, alleging cruelty and nearly every other offense known to divorced lawyers.

Byrd, who is a hard-working lumberman, has been out of town for some time, returning yesterday. While sitting in the court house park, Mrs. Byrd passed in company with another woman. Byrd followed them to the corner of Mariposa and K streets and called his wife aside. Hot words passed between them and it is alleged Byrd struck her a stinging blow on the side of the head.

Bystanders interfered and some one telephoned to the police station for an officer. Officer Leon McSwain reached the scene. Constable McSwain had placed Byrd under arrest and the belligerents were taken to Justice Smith's office, where the complaint was sworn to.

The domestic troubles of this unhappy couple began several months ago. Last summer, it is claimed by those in position to know, Mrs. Byrd went to the chief of police and the police judge, with a tale of woe alleging that her husband was trying to force her to enter a house of ill-fame and was abusing her frightfully because she refused.

Her story was investigated and found to contain no shred of truth. On the other hand it was learned that both her husband and her brother who also resides in Fresno, were often compelled to search the lodging houses at all hours of the night to find her and that frequently she was found in company of other men.

Persons who have roomed in the same house as the young couple did tell of often hearing Byrd beg and plead with her to give up her wayward ways and eschew the company of the class of men with which she associated all to no avail. Byrd asserts that he will contest her action for divorce and file a cross complaint.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK W. C. T. U. TOPIC TODAY

Interesting Topic to Be Considered By Temperance Organization at Today's Meet.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union will hold its regular meeting at 2:30 this afternoon in the Sunday school room of the First Methodist church. The topic for consideration will be "Sunday School Work." Sunday school teachers and workers are given an especial invitation to be present.

BAPTIST CHURCH HOLDS ITS ANNUAL ELECTION

Deacons, Trustees, Sunday School and Other Officials Are Chosen.

At the annual election of officers of the First Baptist church held last evening the following persons were elected to fill the offices named for the coming year: Clerk, Miss Alice Hines; Deacons, B. A. Durland, Richard Williams, S. Malcolm, Robt. Elder, C. W. Fisher, A. D. Smith; Nolen-Boswell Deaconesses; Mrs. C. W. Fisher, Mrs. M. E. Wilson and Mrs. A. D. Smith; Trustees, F. J. Haber, C. L. Miller, C. R. Bonzel, H. E. Wilkinson and C. F. Cowan.

Mrs. Don Parker Riggs has just returned from San Francisco, where she went to attend one of the Calvere concerts. She was also fortunate in hearing Zello de Luscan sing at the Orpheum.

The Friday Afternoon card club will meet tomorrow with Mrs. F. A. Boone on Van Ness avenue.

The Fresno Musical club have announced January 6th as the date for their January artist concert. The Mittell string quartet will be the attraction and a most noteworthy one it is having a wide reputation on the coast for its high standard and the perfection of its players.

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Miss Zoe Glasgow is down from San Francisco for a few days to attend the Alard-Leonard wedding, which took place on Tuesday evening. Miss Glasgow is continuing her musical studies under Mr. Eaton, making marked progress in her voice culture. She returns to San Francisco on Saturday morning.

Tomorrow morning between the hours of 10 and 12 o'clock the public Kindergarten pupils under the direction of Mrs. Carrie Bean Gray will give an exhibition and Christmas tree in the new Mission Kindergarten building, corner G and Merced streets. This is to be made an important occasion and the public will be cordially welcomed.

Miss Dorothy Bryan is down from Oakland where she is attending a convention to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Harvey McLaughlin.

Mr. A. L. Sayre returned yesterday

RIVER IS SET ASIDE FOR SALMON CULTURE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—President Roosevelt indicated that he would set aside Wood River in Alaska for salmon propagation. The order will prohibit salmon fishing in this river.

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Read the Republican Ads.

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SPEAKER FINISHES DIFFICULT TASK

Committees of Sixtieth Congress Will Be Announced To-day—Many Places to Fill.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—When the House of Representatives convenes at noon tomorrow (Thursday), Speaker Cannon will announce the remaining assignments of members to committees. The House will then be organized and in a position to get down to the business of the session immediately after the holiday recess, which will last from Saturday, the 21st, until January 4th.

Speaker Cannon did not complete his committee assignments until nearly 12 o'clock tonight. To insure the printing of the official list—in time for tomorrow's session, each committee table was sent to the public printer tonight as soon as it was finished. John Sharp Williams, who by virtue of his minority leadership, had the naming of Democrats to the various committees, worked behind locked doors all of yesterday and today, and tonight sent his completed list to the speaker. The assignment task was heavier than ever before for two reasons:

The creating of about fifty additional committees by the enlargements of the more important committees by one Republican, and one Democrat on account of the increased membership of the House and the fact that many members foresee in the speaker's selections an effect, real or fancied, on the presidential situation.

The non-return of members of the fifty-ninth Congress to the sixtieth congress created 185 vacancies in committees, not taking into account the fact that Representative H. Byrd Cassell of Pennsylvania, though re-elected, has not yet become a member of the House, preferring, according to his own statement, not to take his seat until the charges against him in connection with the capitol investigation at Harrisburg have been cleared up. Of the 185 vacancies thus created twelve are chairmanships.

Additional committees provided by enlargement of committee memberships bring up the total to nearly 250 assignments to be announced by the speaker tomorrow, and the fact that to quote him, "there have been nineteen persons seeking every hole," has not lightened the task of trying to please everybody without disconcerting the intricate machinery of Congress in a presidential year.

Following precedent, no chairman in the fifty-ninth Congress who is a member of the sixtieth Congress will be superseded unless through the occurrence of a vacancy elsewhere he has become the ranking member of another and more important committee. In which case he is expected to step in. No member can be chairman of more than one committee.

Hawaiian Nomination Confirmed. WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The Senate today confirmed the nomination of Walter F. Frear to be governor of Hawaii and of Alfred S. Hartwell and E. M. Ballou to chief justice and associate justice respectively of that territory.

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NAVY TO DECIDE WIDTH OF CANAL

Engineer Goethals Says Change of Specifications Would Be Easy Now, But Not Later.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Frederick B. Underwood, president of the Erie Railroad, declared today that Samuel Gompers, head of the American Federation of Labor was reckoning without his host when he said, as quoted, that the wages of organized labor "would not have to come down along with the prices of raw materials in the present general business and financial depression."

"The inexorable law of supply and demand, which is the basis of political economy," said Mr. Underwood, "will make itself felt in the case of organized labor as well as other branches of business, Mr. Gompers notwithstanding. In case an attempt is to be made to hold up the present abnormally high price of labor, when the earnings of railroads and industrial corporations do not warrant it, the alternative will be shut down."

"Labor has become premium for the last four years and it has also been less efficient than ever before. All classes of employees have pointed to the heavy earnings and in consequence have received their share in the shape of higher wages. Now a change has come. Earnings are falling off and employees will receive a lower wage. This they should do without protest as they have the precedent that when earnings were improved their wages would be advanced."

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MULES KILL TWO MEN IN LOS ANGELES

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 18.—Within last forty-eight hours two men have met death in this city at the heels of a mule. The second victim was an unidentified man about 45 years of age, who volunteered this evening to help a mule pull a truck for the Pioneer Transportation company across the corner of First and Spring streets. The man was kicked in the head and died shortly afterward. An inquest will be held tomorrow on the body of Lewis Minkler, who was killed in the Santa Fe stockyards yesterday by a mule kick.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The engineers of the Panama canal commission are perfectly willing that the locks should be widened to any extent that the navy thinks necessary. We shall in a measure leave it to the navy to settle the question, thereby making it a matter of naval expediency as to how wide the locks shall be.

This will be the attitude which the Panama canal commission will take on the proposition which has been referred to the members for a widening of the locks of the canal to 410 or 420 feet as may seem best, according to the statement made today by George W. Goethals, chairman of the commission.

Chairman Goethals says that so far as is known at present a width of 100 feet for the locks will accommodate merchant shipping for years to come and that 100 feet is ample for naval construction now building. A naval vessel that is 99 feet long allows eight feet more than the largest battleship proposed, and could get through a 100 foot lock without trouble. The lens leeway it has in the lock, Colonel Goethals thinks, is safe, both to the boat and to the lock during lockages, because the emptying and filling cause swirls which, if too great, may result in some damage.

It is declared that the commission is ready to do whatever the President and his naval advisers think best, as the work at present is in such shape that the increase in width can be made without any detriment to the work or undoing any which has thus far been done.

The completion of the Gatun dam will determine the time for completion of the entire canal. Work on the dam has been begun but investigation is still in progress to determine the localities from which suitable material can be obtained for its construction. The time for completing the Culebra cut and the locks can, so accurately figured out, be the only unknown factor being the time for completing the Gatun dam.

In the purpose to reduce the excavation in the Culebra cut to a limited amount monthly so as to bring about the completion of all parts of the canal at the same time.

ANTI-CIGARETTE LAW ONLY AFFECTS IMPURE TOBACCO

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 18.—The Supreme Court today held that the anti-cigarette act, passed this year, does not prohibit the sale of cigarettes made from pure tobacco, but only those which have substances deleterious to health. This is because of the title which reads "an act to reduce the sale of cigarettes."

CONFESSSED EMBEZZLER WELCOMES SENTENCE: GETS FOUR YEARS.

PRESCOTT, Ariz., Dec. 18.—Charles W. Pinford, the club man who, as head bookkeeper for the Bashford-Burnett Company, rubbed his employers over a period of five years and whose peculations were only revealed by his voluntary confession, demanded that he be arrested and blocked all the efforts of his friends and relatives to save him from the penitentiary, and when yesterday pleaded guilty to embezzlement, was today sentenced to four years in prison. The district attorney made an impressive plea to the court for leniency for the prisoner.

Captain Powell Injured.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 18.—Captain David Powell, chief of police of Indianapo-
lis during the Civil War, and father of the present lieutenant governor of Indiana, accidentally slipped and fell on the street at Third and Hill this afternoon and was seriously injured. His shoulder was fractured and he may not recover.

WEAPON IN COURT THAT SHOT GOEBEL

Defense in Powers Case Lays Foundation of Theory That Youtsey Committed Crime

MONROE, Ky., Dec. 18.—For the first time since it sent a bullet speedily into the body of William Goebel, on January 30, 1900, the Martin rifle about which so much has been said was placed in evidence today when Grant L. Roberts took the stand in the Caleb Powers trial today. It is now in the custody of the court as an exhibit.

When the gun was brought into court it was found to have been carefully secured in a wooden box made for the purpose of its preservation, the box wrapped in brown paper and the whole securely tied. The steel bullet and smokeless powder cartridges remaining in its magazine after the one shot had been fired had been removed by Mr. Roberts before packing it, and these, too, were tied as exhibits with the gun.

Grant Roberts would not identify the gun without qualifications. He was pretty sure that this was the long missing rifle, which he had bought from Clarence Fugazol of Frankfort, but would not speak with absolute certainty.

Before closing for the day Judge Morris, at the request of the defense, issued an order for Henry Youtsey to be brought again from the penitentiary tomorrow. S. S. Shepard, deputy marshal at Covington, who was in the state auditor's office in Frankfort, in 1900, testified this afternoon that on the Friday or Saturday before Goebel was shot he had seen Youtsey enter the office with a gun, apparently much excited, and said that Youtsey exclaimed:

"Get your gun; something is going to happen. Caleb Powers is a brave man but if they let me have my way about it, I will soon settle the matter. I have a good position at stake."

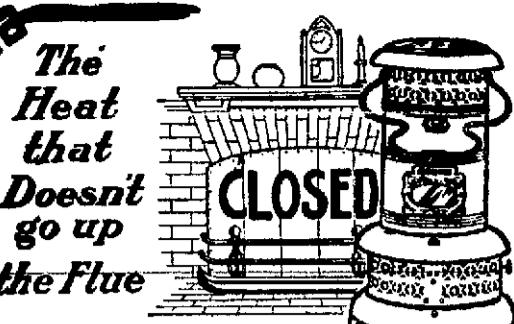
Shepard said: "I was at my desk when Goebel was shot. I dropped my work and went to the west door of the executive building when I saw Henry Youtsey coming from the east door with a pistol in his hand."

EARTHQUAKE WARPS BUILDINGS TO BE TORN DOWN BY WRECKERS.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—The trustees of the State Normal school at San Jose held a meeting in this city today to open bids for wrecking part of the older buildings of the institution. Bids were received for the work of removal of buildings, which are to make way for the proposed new structures, better adapted to the present needs of the state schools.

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Imitation Water Mink, **\$1.50** nice low priced neck piece.

Brown Isabella Coney, **\$1.50**, two sides fur, two tails.

Brown Tree Marten, **\$5.00**, pelrine two long ends.

Fine Fox Box with two bushy tails, **\$5.00**.

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| 1 bottle Cocktails | \$ 1.50 |
| 4 pints Burgundy | \$ 1.00 |
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| 2 bottles Riesling | \$ 1.20 |
| 2 bottles Napa Zinfandel, old bottling | \$ 1.20 |
| 1 bottle Peach Cordial | \$ 1.00 |
| Total regular price | \$ 8.70 |
| Special Christmas price | \$ 5.00 |

Christmas Special No. 2, \$8

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| 1 bottle Cocktails | \$ 1.50 |
| 2 pints I. de Turk's Burgundy | \$ 1.80 |
| 2 bottles Riesling | \$ 1.50 |
| 2 bottles Sauterne, Cresta Blanca | \$ 1.50 |
| 2 bottles Zinfandel, superior | \$ 1.20 |
| 2 bottles Tijo Chianti | \$ 2.00 |
| 1 bottle Fancy Cordial | \$ 2.00 |
| Total regular price | \$ 10.00 |
| Special Christmas price | \$ 8.00 |

Christmas Special No. 3, \$14.25

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| 1 bottle Old Crow Special | \$ 1.75 |
| 2 bottles No. 17 Monché | \$ 1.50 |
| 4 pints No. 10 Burgundy | \$ 2.00 |
| 4 pints No. 3 Sauterne | \$ 2.00 |
| 2 bottles No. 16 Chateau La Fete | \$ 1.80 |
| 2 bottles No. 11 Sparkling Sauterne | \$ 2.70 |
| 2 bottles Cresta Blanca, sparkling Burgundy | \$ 2.70 |
| 1 bottle Assorted Cordials | \$ 2.50 |
| Total regular price | \$ 16.95 |
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Can you realize that closing day in the Republican's big contest is day after tomorrow? Three days more to rustle votes. Will there be some tall hustling? Well, just watch the contestants and see if they are not bending every effort in this great battle toward victory. It is not easy to win in such a race as this. The wags ones know this and are preparing themselves against that onslaught of ballots—the last few days that may need a good big handful on your count to make the scales tip in your favor. Contests and their friends are hustling



Mrs. Myrtle Townsend, Visalia.

the business office, and the reserve that is piling up for the final count is something tremendous. Saturday will be a great day and will decide the fate of many an anxious contestant.

Remember the caution about the closing of the business office. Be on hand Saturday for your final effort before 6 o'clock or you will not get in, no matter how big a bundle of votes you may have in your possession. Everybody inside of the office before 5 will be waited on, but promptly at 5 the doors close to everybody. Be sure and be on the inside. Remember that "it is better to be on the inside lookin' out than on the outside lookin' in."

There were a number of notable gains yesterday, chief among them that of Aileen Brewer, who jumped forward 37,000 votes, gaining fourth place in

the contest. Three candidates are

making a close run for first honors, Mrs. M. Shuck who leads the race, Mrs. George Cobb, who comes next—and E. George, who, with a gain of 10,000 more votes yesterday, is coming in a close third. But this is just the ballots in sight. Goodness knows how many more are tucked away in a dark corner ready to be sprung in the last day and astonish the rest of the candidates.

Miss Fisher of Hanford is evidently determined to win that outside automobile. She has the advantage so far by nearly 40,000 votes and has begun to reveal the big fund she is saving to spring in the final count which is going to send her up to the top.

Mrs. Myrtle Townsend of Visalia is proving her worth in this great battle. With a gain of 11,000 yesterday she jumped into fourth place in district No. 6 and seems destined to pass Mrs. Scott Ballagh of Porterville, who has held third place for some time. Mrs. Townsend is thoroughly alive to the great opportunities offered the outside districts and if her name is not among the winners it will not be the fault of her splendid canvass nor of the friends who are determined she shall have a big trophy.

Miss Lillian Bernham of Ceres, whose picture appears today, is receiving all the able support this lively little town can give her. She has her fellow townsmen perfectly in sympathy with her candidacy and while they are quiet now one can look for a boom from this direction at almost any moment within the next day or two. Ceres will not be beaten by any town of three times its size, for it is energy that counts in this race, not numbers except in votes and Ceres will select their favorite candidate has plenty of these.

The vote as shown by the count at 5 o'clock last evening was as follows:

Mrs. George Cobb \$50,029
Mrs. George \$46,150
Ida V. McDonald \$39,387

Mrs. Max Heen \$29,513
Fuller Collins \$29,497

Stuart Evans \$11,169

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CALIFORNIA RACES

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—At Emeryville today the track was heavy. The Belmont handicap, one mile and a furlong, was captured by Red Leaf, a Royal Minstrel, 10 to 1, surprised the talents by winning the finishing course. Results: First Race—Five furlongs, selling: Belmont, 112 (McIntyre), 9 to 2, won; Dr. Sherman, 112 (Miller), 3 to 1, second; Sophomore, 106 (Carroll), 9 to 1, third; Time 1:02 3-5.

Second Race—Futurity course, purse: Royal Maxim, 107 (Davis), 3 to 1, won; Mr. Coleman, 104 (Kelly), 6 to 1, second; Captain Burnett, 109 (Pendergast), 3 to 2, third. Time 1:13.

Third Race—Mile selling: Woolam, 88 (Walsh), 17 to 5, won; Excitement, 107 (Morland), 12 to 1, second; Triumph, 103 (Brooks), 30 to 1, third. Time 1:20 2-5.

Fourth Race—One mile, and one furlong, Del Norte handicap: Red Leaf, 90 (Gillibrand), 8 to 1, won; Massie, 96 (Lynch), 8 to 5, second; Northwest, 93 (Walsh) 6 to 1, third. Time 1:26 1-4.

Fifth Race—Five furlongs, selling: John II, Sheehan, 117 (Davis), 1 to 1, won; E. M. Bratton, 112 (Lynch), 8 to 1, second; Duke of Orleans, 117 (Keoght), 1 to 1, third. Time 1:01 1-5.

Sixth Race—Six furlongs, purse: Husky, 112 (Lynch), 8 to 5, won; Gloria, 112 (McIntyre), 3 to 5, second; Marian, 106 (Mineland), 16 to 1, third. Time 1:16 3-4.

SEVENTH RACE—Five furlongs, selling: Clinton Comstock, 119 (Davis), 1 to 1, won; Edward Levitt, 109 (McIntyre), 4 to 1, second; Arthur Murphy, 109 (McIntyre), 3 to 1, third. Time 1:08 3-5.

Eighth Race—Six furlongs, selling: Fred Main, 105 (Davis), 85 (McIntyre), 3 to 1, second; Beale Stinson, 108 (Davis), 1 to 1, won; District No. 2 (Fresno Utside City), 104 (Davis), 1 to 1, won; F. M. Shuck, 104 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Alleen Brewer, 104 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; J. N. Poole, 104 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Martha Rasmussen, 103 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; H. Wilhelm, 103 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Mrs. Lenora Downer, 103 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Harvey Harris, 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; A. M. Rutherford, 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; J. Christian, 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; J. C. Jensen, 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Eddie Towney, 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Delta Wells, 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; William Larsen (Reedley), 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Cari Larsen, 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Henry Young (Selma), 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Ide E. Nelson, 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Lulu Rutledge, 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Eight W. Fouke, 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Einer Glueck, 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; J. D. Green, 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; S. L. Thomas, 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Edna Dungan (Sanger), 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Ralph Walker (Selma), 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Connie Price (Empire Colony), 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Mrs. M. Kelly, 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Mrs. Eustachy (Wolters Colony), 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Pauline Adlesbach (Kingsburg), 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Mrs. Herman Peoyer, 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Muzy Peifer, 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Earl J. Wells (Selma), 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Frank J. Sanders, 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; A. M. Hersey, 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; G. T. White (Ockenden), 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Mrs. Lizzie Cleveland (Hanford), 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; John Dwyer (Kingsburg), 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; District No. 4 (Merced and Stanislaus Counties), 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Leah Thomas, 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Miss Julie Dwyer (Turlock), 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Norman Gless, 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Maud M. Mack, 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Miss Lillian Bernham (Ceres), 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Berdie Reininghaus (Merced), 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Mrs. L. E. McMenamy, 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Mrs. Susan Hurst (Modesto), 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Miss Mario Myhern (Merced), 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Miss Genevieve Ergo (Merced), 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Ruby Cole, 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Kate O'Leary (Modesto), 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Miss Francis Atkinson (Modesto), 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Myrtle Huddleston (Modesto), 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Miss Donan Gill (Hanford), 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Mabel Bursell (Hanford), 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Miss Beatrice Hawley, 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Ollie Lambart (Hanford), 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Mattie Hazel Baker (Hanford), 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; S. T. Owings (Armona), 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Miss Fern Walker (Corcoran), 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Anos Champin (Hanford), 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Ernest Bass (Hanford), 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Ed E. Hart, 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; District No. 5 (Kings County), 102 (Davis), 1 to 1, second; Mrs. W. D. Smith (D

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GRAND JURY SITS ON BANK FAILURE

Is Investigating Disappearance of Colton Securities and the Mishandling of Funds.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—The new grand jury convened at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon for the first time since its impanelment. It immediately took up the investigation of the alleged embezzlement of the Colton securities from the insolvent California Safe Deposit and Trust company, which was revealed when that institution failed. The securities valued at \$265,000 were deposited by Barnett as special administrator of the portion of the estate in California with the Trust company, in which he was a director.

Harvey H. Miller, county clerk of Santa Cruz county; J. F. Riley, attorney in the Colton estate litigation; C. S. Cushing, special custodian of the insolvent bank; H. G. McElroy, bond clerk; H. N. Storrs, bookkeeper; Judge C. W. Black, Bartnett's law partner; J. Cat Ewing, secretary of the bank commission, and Bank Commissioners Lynch and Garoutte testified before the grand jury in the order named. Other witnesses were Norton C. Wells, manager of the Fillmore street branch; Charles Dunsmore, ex-bank commissioner, and Marcel Cerd, assistant general counsel for the Western Pacific railroad, who was associated with Bartnett in the practice of law.

County Clerk Miller testified to the appointment of Bartnett as special administrator-for-the-Colton-estate and Attorney Riley to the existence of the securities and their value. Ewing, Lynch and Garoutte of the bank commission related the statement made to them by Bartnett that the missing securities had in part been destroyed in the fire of April 18, 1906, and the remainder had been taken by him to New York and placed in a box, with the Atlantic Trust company, to which he and President Walker had keys.

Tomorrow the grand jury will take up the failure of the bank and thoroughly investigate the alleged mismanagement and reckless banking methods which are said to have been responsible for the wrecking of the institution.

The investigation of the grand jury was preceded this morning by the issuance of a writ of habeas corpus by Judge Lawler for Bartnett upon the application to presiding judge Coffey, who assigned it to Lawler, and the continuance of the preliminary examination of Brown and Bartnett until tomorrow morning by Judge Dunne at the request of Assistant District Attorney William Hoff Cool. Counsel for Bartnett strongly objected to the postponement of Bartnett's hearing and declared the conduct of the court and the prosecution was a "high-handed outrage." The application for the writ of habeas corpus, which was made returnable at 11 o'clock tomorrow morning, alleged, among other things that Bartnett was illegally held in custody in violation of his constitutional rights because of exorbitant and prohibitory bail and the repeated continuance of his preliminary examination for six days without the filing of affidavits by the prosecution.

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DEWEY CELEBRATES SEVENTIETH BIRTHDAY

President and Mrs. Roosevelt Were Among the Guests Present at Dinner.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Admiral George Dewey gave a dinner tonight in celebration of the seventieth anniversary of his birth. The actual anniversary does not occur until the 26th inst., but the celebration was advanced in order that the admiral, who was anxious to accept the admiral's invitation to attend, might be present. Mr. Roosevelt, expecting to be away from the city for some time next week, the dinner was informal in character, there being no set speeches, but many of the admiral's guests took advantage of the opportunity in graceful fashion to congratulate him. Among those present in addition to the admiral and Mrs. Dewey, were:

President and Mrs. Roosevelt, Mrs. Bonaparte, Mrs. John R. McLean, Mrs. Frederick W. Vanderbilt, Mrs. Nicholas Fish, General Horace Porter, Senator Bragdon, Admiral and Mrs. Brownson, General and Mrs. Fred D. Grant, General Gilcrease, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Morton and Admiral Capps.

NO OVERT ACTS YET AT PERSIAN CAPITAL

TEHERAN, Dec. 18.—Outside of a few isolated killings and robberies there have been, up to the present time, no disturbances of public order in this city, notwithstanding the situation continues most strained. The constitutionalists are quiet, but prepared to fight if attacked. They are well armed, while the supporters of the revolutionaries, mostly Muleteers and laborers, who have come in from neighboring villages, have few effective weapons.

Mrs. Walsh's Financiering.
CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—E. P. Moxey, the national bank examiner, the last important witness for the government, was on the witness stand today in Banker Walsh's trial. A reading of entries of bond sales from books of the Walsh railroad and the three Walsh banks constituted the greater part of his testimony. It tends to show according to the assistant district attorney that whenever Walsh needed money for his personal enterprise he issued bonds, bought them at his own price and sold them to the banks.

The government claims that when the banks were suspended they held bonds and bond certificates of four Walsh enterprises amounting to \$8,988,000.

ACTIVE CAMPAIGN BEGUN FOR LA FOUILLETE IN LINCOLN, NEBRAKA

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 18.—W. L. Houzer, of Madison, Wis., who is in Nebraska in the interest of the presidential candidacy of Senator La Follette, today established permanent headquarters in Lincoln and said an aggressive campaign would be made to secure the Nebraska delegation to the Chicago convention.

OFFICER KILLED IN PISTOL DUEL

Summoned to Arrest Man Who Had Been Beating Wife, He Loses His Life.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 18.—As a result of a pistol fight between Policeman J. W. Giddings and G. W. Bradley, an employee in the Oregon Railway and Navigation car shops, in front of a saloon at the corner of Sellwood and Delevy streets tonight, the policeman was killed and Bradley is at large, bearing wounds from the officer's weapon.

Bradley, it is alleged, had been beating his wife. Mrs. Bradley's brother, George W. Zihner, summoned Officer Giddings who lives nearby, to put Bradley under arrest. When he returned to the Bradley home, Bradley had gone to the saloon. They followed him to the saloon and leaving Giddings outside, the brother-in-law went inside and called Bradley to the door. As Bradley came from the saloon he began firing at Zihner and Giddings began shooting at Bradley. Bradley turned his weapon upon the officer and in the exchange Giddings received a wound in the region of the heart, which resulted in death a few minutes later. Bradley will probably be captured within a few hours.

COAL MINES KILL TOO MANY PEOPLE

Angry Mob Hunts Wealthy Farmer

Man Had Made a Criminal Attack Upon Young Woman in Pean.

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JAMESTOWN, Pa., Dec. 18.—Miss Maude MacCrumb, 28 years old, a school teacher, is in a serious condition from an attack alleged to have been made late yesterday by Charles Summers, 32 years old, a wealthy farmer of Turnerfield. Summers, who was later captured by a posse, was taken to Greenville, Pa., to prevent mob violence, threatened by enraged farmers. Miss MacCrumb is the daughter of a Justice of the peace. She was walking from the schoolhouse to her home, a distance of a mile, when the assault was attempted.

Her screams attracted a farmer and he gave the alarm. A posse was formed and, following a search of several hours, Summers was found hiding behind a monument in a cemetery overlooking this town. He was taken to jail. Meantime hundreds of persons gathered about the jail building demanding the prisoner. Because of the threats of the mob, it was decided to rush Summers to Greenville for safety.

Miss MacCrumb was nearly choked to death and her face and body covered with scratches and bruises.

NO WORD RECEIVED FROM BATTLESHIPS

Report That Fleet Is to Go Through Suez Canal, Discredited at Washington.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Not a single official message was received at the navy department today from Admiral Evans' flagship from any of the vessels of the fleet.

Both the white house and the navy department discredit what purports to be a wireless message from the battleship. Connected to the effect that President Roosevelt has informed Admiral Evans that the fleet would return by way of the Suez canal. Secretary Loeb said tonight that no plan for the return of the fleet had yet been formulated. None of the navy department heads—Herbert, Metcalf, Assistant Secretary Newberry, or Admirals Brownson—through whose hands must pass all orders for the fleet, know the itinerary for the homeward voyage. They decline to give credence to what they term "wild room gossip."

From the position of the ships when last recorded it should not surprise the department officials if the wireless shore stations at San Juan, Porto Rico, or Guantanamo, Cuba, should be able to pick up the fleet within a day or two.

SCHMITZ KEPT MONEY IN DRAWER

He Helped Himself to Relief Funds Whenever He Needed

—Investigation to Be Made.

(Special to Republican.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—An investigation is to be made of ex-Mayor Schmitz's handling of relief fund receipts after the disaster, particularly as regards the contributions from many states, raised by \$2 and 10 cent donations by school children held in the schools of the city. This comes in response to the appeals that the school board sent out, but many of them were sent to the mayor of the city instead of to the directors of the department. The Good Government League, which recently compelled the board of education to turn the \$28,000 it had on hand over to the city treasury, had its eyes opened in the inquiry it made and now propose to make a thorough overhauling.

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Always Was Sick.
When a man says he always was sick—troubled with a cough that last all winter—what would you think if he should say—he never was sick since he used Ballard's Morehouse Syrup. Such mar exists.

Mr. J. C. Clark, Denver, Colorado, writes: "For years I was troubled with a severe cough that would last all winter. This cough left me in a miserable condition. I tried Ballard's Morehouse Syrup and have not had a sick day since. That's what it did for me." For sale by George H. Monroe.

Commercial...

BANK CLEARINGS

Clearings of the Fresno city banks for December 18, 1907, according to the figures of the Fresno Clearing House:

Morning \$50,000.00

Afternoon 47,000.00

Total 97,000.00

SAN FRANCISCO MARKETS

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—Fruits:

Pear apples 25¢; common 5¢.

Berries—Strawberries nominal; raspberries nominal; cranberries 35¢/40¢; grapes—Muscat 100¢/125¢; Muscat 100¢/125¢.

Years—Fancy 25¢.

Prunes—Pitons 50¢/65¢.

Oranges—Navels 15¢/18¢; Seedlings 75¢/10¢; Mexican Navel 35¢/40¢.

Lemons—Common, California 12¢/15¢; good to choice 17¢/20¢; fancy 27¢.

Fruit—Fancy 25¢.

Plums—20¢/25¢; Persian dates 45¢.

Beets—Pink 15¢/18¢; Lima 17¢/20¢; small white 20¢/25¢; large white 23¢/25¢.

Potatoes—Oregon Burbanks 100¢/125¢; Idaho Burbanks 125¢/150¢; Merced Sweets 22¢/25¢.

Onions—Fancy 15¢/21¢.

Various—Green peas 20¢/25¢; string beans 25¢/30¢; chic peas 10¢/12¢; green peppers 35¢/40¢; tomatoes 50¢/60¢; sun-milk squash 70¢/80¢; parsnips 10¢/12¢.

Butter—Fancy creamery 35¢/45¢.

Ice—22¢; fancy 25¢; Seconds 24¢.

Yogurt—18¢/20¢; Eastern 7¢/10¢.

Eggs—Ranch 40¢/50¢; store 25¢/30¢.

Yosemite Valley WINTER SUMMER

See Yosemite this winter. Nature's amphitheater. Enclosed by towering walls. Surmounted by lofty domes. Animated by roaring waterfalls. Tinted with snow and ice. Surrounded by winter, but protected from it.

Fare Only \$18.50 Round Trip From Merced, Cal.

Yosemite Valley Railroad.

Quick Scenes Convenient

Vestibule train leaves Merced daily at 1:30 p.m.

For further information address

O. W. LEHNER,
Traffic Manager, Merced, Cal.

Buy Your Xmas Presents

Of the largest assortment of Pocket Knives, Razors, Carving Sets and Sporting Goods.

Lewald & Schleuter

MONEY WANTED

We have clients desiring loans in sums of from \$500 to \$20,000 on first-class real estate security.

SHEPHERD-TEAGUE CO.,

1011 J Street

Weak Women

To weak and failing women, there is at least one way to help. With that way, two treatments, one local and one general, are conducted, both safe, both sure, both essential.

Dr. Shoop's Night Cure is the local.

Dr. Shoop's Restorative, the Constitutional.

Restorative—Dr. Shoop's Night Cure is a constitutional restorative, especially recommended for those who have been overexposed to the elements.

Dr. Shoop's Restorative, the Constitutional.

The Restorative reaches throughout the entire system, seeking the repair of all nerve, all tissue, all blood elements.

Dr. Shoop's Restorative, the Constitutional.

It sooths sore and inflamed mucous surfaces, heals local weaknesses and discharges, while the Restorative, ease nervous disorders, quieting the mind, and provide up varied means, bringing down nervous strength, vigor, and energy. Take Dr. Shoop's Restorative—Tablets or Liquid—an general tonic to the system. For positive local help, use as will.

Dr. Shoop's Night Cure

SAN JOAQUIN DRUG CO.

COAL

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MAGNET-LUMP

ANTHRACITE

CLEAN GAS COKE

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FRESNO FUEL CO. PHONE M. 239

Cut Prices

\$40 bicycle, guaranteed, \$30.

\$30 bicycle, cut to \$25.

Cut prices on all repairs.

Ten per cent off on all tires.

Dishman's Cyclery

1929 Fresno Street, Bet. J and I Sts.

Engraved and Printed Visit- ing Cards

Longwell, the printer, 1935 Kern street, Tel. Red 173. I print every- thing.

Rourke The Hatter Renovating, 1158 J STREET MAIN 2008

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1461 J STREET FRESNO, CALIF.

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BLACK LEG BOOKLET

BLACK LEG

BLACK LEG VACCINE

FOR SALE—Real Estate

WE HAVE a list of 20 houses, any part of Fresno; new and modern, some in course of construction, from \$600 up. Also fine building lots everywhere. Terms.

FOR SALE—20 miles from Fresno on river, fine lot, acre, will exchange for improved rice property, or will rent on shares. Terms.

WANT TO SELL or exchange your ranch or business. List with us. We find buyers. Land for sale from \$35.00 per acre up, with 30 miles of Fresno.

PRODUCERS' REALTY CO., 1035 H St., opp. Chamber of Commerce.

DE WITTE H. GRAY & CO.

Entrance Forsyth's Bldg. Phone Main 612.

AN IDEAL home place of 20 acres highly improved to vines and trees; 5 miles north of Clovis, \$4000, on terms.

NEAR LONG STAR, 20 acres in Muscat; produces 1½ to 2 tons to acre, Muscat raisins annually; 4 miles from Fresno. \$1000.

FINE UNIMPROVED lands under irrigation; no alkali, no leprosy; rich soil; in 20 and 40 acre tracts; \$40 to \$50 an acre on long terms.

NOTE—We can place your money at 3 per cent net on 1st mortgages, three to one security. See us and let your idle capital be earning something.

Visit The CITRUS FAIR at the Chamber of Commerce Administration Free! See the Mount Campbell Orange Exhibit. See the Foothills Produce, Buy Mount Campbell Oranges at Fruit Stores—And Grocery Stores—Try Them Once!

Better Buy an Orange Grove of Your Own While Prices Are Low . . . BEE W. N. ROHRE & CO., 211 Forsyth Bldg.

\$1250 WILL BUY a house of six rooms; 60 foot frontage on easy terms. Will take driving horse or cow on place. Call 1250 U St.

WILL EXCHANGE swelled 10 room modern house in Los Angeles on the best residence streets in Los Angeles for good Fresno land, country or city. For information write No. 111 Stump Bldg. Los Angeles, Cal.

READ THIS!

DO YOU WANT an ideal home located in a thriving little town 3 blocks from graded school and church, fronting on main business street?

HERE IS A BARGAIN—20 acres 3 acres in Muscat vines, 1½ acre olives, ½ acre in alfalfa, 5 acre orchard, 20 acre vineyard, 20 acre orchard, 20 acre orchard, fruit house, adobe, and dry shed, plow, cultivator, woodcutter, truck, harrow, team, wagon and harness.

IN ADDITION to being under Alta irrigation system, there is a first class pumping plant, all machinery new. DON'T FAIL to see this, if not represented railroad fare refunded.

GEORGE H. BISSELL, Oroville, Tulare Co., Cal.

\$900. No. 2030, Monterey—4 room cottage bath, toilet gas and electric light. Only \$300 down.

\$1200. No. 2036, Monterey—5 room cottage, bath, toilet, pantry, gas and electric light, \$400 down.

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ABOVE HOUSES all owned by this company, no commission to pay.

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HOUSES AND LOTS of all kinds for sale at low prices; small payments and easy terms; come and see us.

PERALTA INVESTMENT CO., 1036 J St.

FIVE (5) ACRE TRACTS on Belmont Avenue, adjoining the city on the east. Nothing like it may ever be offered for years. We bought these properties early in the season and must sell before January 1st. Price and terms just right.

S. N. GRIFFITH, Room 30 Fliske Bldg., Take elevator. Fresno, Cal.

FOR SALE—160 acres heavy bearing 4 year old alfalfa as good as the very best, the soil is best quality fruit and vineyard land absolutely free from alkali or hardpan; the location guarantees it never to be subject to same, neither to the danger of too much sub-irrigation, plenty water from Church ditch, fenced, has good house and barn. If you want the best don't miss this. Will stand close investigation. We have option for 18 days only, easy terms. For particulars call on Christian and Henrichsen, 131 J Street.

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FOR SALE—Real Estate

FOR SALE OR TRADE for country property, suitably located city residence. Phone Main 112.

FOR SALE BY OWNER—80 acres first class vineyard in Scandinavian Colony, 17 acres Zinfandel, 28 Muscat, 17 Muscat 3 Mariposa, 1 Tokay, 10 acres 30 Muscat, 4 olive, 20 miles of orchard, 10 acres melon, house with 1000 tank, rain, drains, barns, 1000 packing boxes, 400 sweet boxes, 1000 packing boxes and all implements. All so to acre vineyard without buildings. 29 acres Muscat, 18 acres Michigan. Address R. D. No. 5, Box 38, Fresno, Cal. Phone State 2061.

FULL BEARING VINEYARD**8 MILES FROM FRESNO UNUSUAL BARGAIN**

Forty acres raisins, Empire, Tokay, etc.—price \$6000. This is property that would sell for \$12,000 next fall; in cash, balance can be paid from the income. Inveigle.

S. N. GRIFFITH**Room 31, Fliske Bldg., Fresno, Cal.****BARGAINS.**

Buy a home with revenue. 20 acres is better for a man with a family to support than a salary of \$200 per month. Land will support the widow and orphans. Agents are unreliable. Buy improved or unimproved land.

BUT BUY LAND.

20 acres citrus, price \$8000. Nicely located, terms to suit.

80 acres heavy bearing vineyard and wine yard land, price \$1200. Terms \$300 cash, balanced on five years' time.

20 acres six miles from Fresno. Good orchard land. Price \$7000, long time payments.

20 acres near Clovis; small house; rich garden, orchard and vineyard land. Price \$1200. Terms to suit.

20 acres citrus, 100% good, 20 acres from electric car line, close to Fresno. Vineyard and orchard in full bearing. Price \$6000.

3 acres and heavy room houses nicely located. Price \$1000.

40 acres heavy bearing vineyard, rich alluvial soil. Well located. Purchase price can be made from products.

40 acres full bearing wine grape vineyard. Price \$8000. Easy terms.

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20 acres Muscat vineyard, full bearing, easy terms. houses and lots at a bargain. Charles Erickson, 131 J St.

FOR SALE—6 room modern house, big shade trees. Inquire 101 Park Avenue.

ORANGE LAND—Some of the best four miles from Porterville. In protected cover for sale in small lots. Inquire at J. Q. Anderson, Phone Main 41, or Dr. D. H. Fowbridge, Main 11.

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SHEPHERD-TEAGUE CO., 1011 J St.

150 ACRES of creek bottoms and hill land with perpetual water right, very choice for grapes or lambs; house, barn, small family orchard and vineyard, fenced and cross fenced, 1 mile from school. Price \$10 per acre. 4. 1500 Co., 1217 J St.

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FRESNO CREAMERY & REALTY CO., 116 J St.

50 ACRES No. 1 orange or Muscat land, \$60 per acre.

40 ACRES No. 1 white ash land, \$125 per acre.

30 ACRES No. 1 dairy land \$3500; \$1000 cash.

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The Redlick Toy Prices. Are Proving a Big Surprise---Even to Those Who Know We Always Sell the Lowest.

Toy selling is on in earnest now in our big roomy toy department on the second floor. Wise buyers are gathering their presents earlier this year, profiting by their former experiences, and avoiding the tremendous crowds that gather at Redlick's nearer Christmas time.

Our strongest bid for the toy patronage of the readers of Redlick's advertising is the fact that we do save them money on all toys from the costliest to the cheapest.

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| 75¢ Dressed Dolls for | 49¢ | \$12.50 Printing Presses |
| \$1.00 Dressed Dolls for | 69¢ | 39.85 |
| \$1.50 Dressed Dolls for | 98¢ | \$3.50 Tool Chests 52.50 |
| \$2.00 Dressed Dolls for | \$1.39 | \$2.00 Tea Sets 31.15 |
| \$3.00 Dressed Dolls for | \$2.25 | 50¢ Bagatelle Board 23¢ |
| \$4.00 Dressed Dolls for | \$2.78 | 75¢ Go Carts for 59¢ |
| | | 35¢ Set Garden Tools 23¢ |
| | | \$1.00 Daisy Air Rifles 79¢ |

SHOP EARLY Help the Clerks

Do you want to brighten some one's Christmas?

Make some one enjoy the holidays? Then do your Christmas shopping NOW.

The longer you delay it, the more work you make for clerks who will be taxed to the limit to meet the demands made upon them.

You who know Redlick's, know what the Christmas rush means here. You have seen the surging crowds, the flying package carriers, the hurrying wagons; the swift energy of the selling force.

It's hard enough on our salesmen and women under the best of conditions, but you can make it easier, much easier for them, if you will do the bulk of your purchasing right away.

You will shop in greater comfort, save the same amount of money, and you will help many clerks to a happy Christmas.

We Have Aroused Intense Buying Enthusiasm With Our Shoe Sale

How often can you get guaranteed footwear at these prices right on the eve of the holidays?

It's the very time when most stores are looking for their biggest shoe profits.

Our recent big purchases have brought many bargains home to Redlick's.

We have saved many people a good deal of shoe money during the past ten days, and there are still plenty of good bargains left.

Women's \$3.50 and \$4.00 Dress Shoes are only **\$2.89**

Children's stout Cal School Shoes are only **79¢**

Misses' Kid School Shoes are only **\$1.10**

Men's Goat Skin Slippers are only **.75¢**

Women's Comfort Shoes are only **\$1.39**

Women's Kid Dress Shoes are only **\$1.78**

Children's \$1.75 and \$2.00 Dress Shoes are only **\$1.25**

Filled Gold Handled Umbrellas, \$3.95--Worth Up to \$10

Nothing will make a more appreciated Christmas gift than one of these handsome umbrellas.

We are showing them in 14 karat gold filled handles, in German silver, in imported woods beautifully mounted, in pure silk coverings over a genuine steel Paragon frame, and we are offering them at **\$3.95** for this day only.

The umbrellas are really worth \$6, \$7, \$8, \$9 and \$10.00.

Extra Dress Goods Values

Chiffon Broadcloths; nothing nicer for a pretty tailored suit; shown in every desirable shade; 54 inches wide; worth \$2.25 a yard today for **\$1.73**

Black Sicilians, a very lustrous and durable dress fabric; dust and spot proof; 45 inches wide; the regular \$1.25 quality; sale price **.83¢**

Broadcloths, in all of the most wanted colors; firm, smooth and lustrous weaves; spot proof; 54 inches wide; the usual \$1.50 grades; today for **\$1.19**

The Cloak and Suit Store Is Full of Many Price Surprises Like These

We are selling a large amount of women's coats and suits these days.

Our prices have astonished even those who know this store well, and know it always has something good to offer.

We are determined to make a quick clean up of the short lines remaining in these departments.

Yesterday we sold excellent \$30 suits for \$18.50 and we shall offer more of them today at the same price.

Among the other attractive features are the following:

SILK WAISTS, \$3.95.

Worth \$5.00, \$6.00, \$7.00 and \$7.50. A clearance price on a number of short lines that comprise some of the best selling waists of the season. Silk, net or wool batiste waists, many handsome designs, others plainly tailored; colors white, black and the leading fall shades. Choice today **\$3.95**

SILK WAISTS, \$3.95.

Buy them quickly. Very stylish, black broadcloth coats, half satin lined, turn-over collar, three slit pockets, three-quarter length coats; worth to \$20; sale price tomorrow **\$16.75**

\$20.00 COATS, \$15.00.

All the rage; made of an extra good quality of chiffon, in small dotted patterns; colors, pink, blue, white; \$1.00 scarfs for **.69¢**

PILLOW TOPS, \$29.

Oil lithos, pretty as paintings; 50c qualities; 125 subjects to choose from; best art denim finished in oil colors; water proof. Choice **\$1.00 to \$5.00**

Men's Famous Burt and Packard shoes here **\$3.50 to \$5.00**

Redlick's
INCORPORATED

The great Ladies' Home Journal patterns here **10¢ and 15¢**

MAUL'S TEAM WINS OUT IN GOOD BOWLING MATCH

Total Score of 2527 Ruled—Nutting and Kiser Lead for the Hat.

Bert Maul company won from the Coopers by a margin of thirty-eight points in a bowling match last evening. The total score for the five members of the winning team, in three games was 2527. This is not at all extraordinary. The highest average of the evening was made by Daugherty, of the Coopers, with 132 2-3. He also made the highest score for one game, with 213, though Nolan, also of the Coopers, was a close second, as he rolled 212 in his second game.

The score was:

Bert Maul Co. Total Average **167-166-173 506 1682-3** for every purpose. Main 299.

Brooks 158-161-161 478 159-1-3 Fresno Fuel Company.

American black coal, the superior of

PRAYER MEETINGS IN FRESNO HOMES

Eighteen cottage prayer meetings were held on Tuesday night in the homes of the approaching Torrey meetings and other meetings will be held this evening. Each gathering arranged for tonight will be self perpetuating, the leader arranging for the next meeting. In case no arrangement is telephoned in to the chairman the same leader, time and place will again prevail.

Make all arrangements to cottage prayer meeting chairman, Rev. Arthur Peck, Brown, telephone Main 1748. Meetings tonight will be as follows: Mrs. G. A. Smith, 1161 Main Street, Rev. Charles A. Woods, leader; J. W. Neal, 624 Main Street, Rev. J. W. Evans, leader; John Johnson, 109 Kern Street, Rev. R. T. Burkhardt, Mrs. W. H. Castle, 241 Santa Clara Avenue, Mrs. E. E. Lowry, leader.

For fuel of all kinds, try Main 299, Fresno Fuel Company.

GRAND JURY TO PROBE DIVISION ELECTION FRAUD

From 100 to 125 Indictments For Fraudulent Voting Expected—Lawyers Named to Represent Fresno In Fight For Canvass of Returns.

The grand jury will investigate the frauds perpetrated at the county division election, and it was given out yesterday that 100 or more indictments may be expected for illegal voting.

Last night at a meeting of the Promotion Committee, three lawyers were appointed to take steps to compel the election board to canvass the returns.

Altogether, Fresno county proposes to deal with the outrageous conduct of the election board with a strong hand, and it looks as if things would

they will be arrested then and there. Even if they do not appear, the indictments may have the effect of frightening these imported bar room leasers away for the next election and to that extent lessen the vote cast for division.

Promotion Committee Meets.

There was held last evening also at the law offices of Cartwright and Caslin a joint meeting of members of the county division campaign committee with a delegation from the Chamber of Commerce to consider what further steps to undertake in view of the action of the election vote canvassing commission.

After talking over the proposition, Messrs. W. A. Sutherland, M. K. Harris, and G. W. Cartwright were appointed a committee of lawyers to determine what course to pursue and having determined on a policy to carry on the litigation.

A committee was also named to appear before the supervisors this afternoon to urge them to retain the three above named attorneys as special counsel in behalf of the county to assist the district attorney in the prosecution of the litigation to be decided upon in this county division matter.

While that policy has yet to be outlined, it can be taken for granted that the litigation will be a mandamus petition to compel the commissioners to proceed to canvass the returned vote and certify the result, and an injunction application to forbid the holding of the proposed election on the 14th prox, as beyond the jurisdiction of the board, whose functions are limited, as contended, to the canvass of the vote and the announcing of the result.

Question of Method.

The only question that the committee of three will have to decide is one of expediency, whether to litigate in the superior court or go direct to the supreme court and have a speedy hearing and a final ruling.

The early hearing can be reasonably expected because of the public interests involved. The objector, against proceeding in the lower court, is because the decision would not be a finality and the longer the delay for whatever cause, the greater the opportunity of the loss of the ballots by fire or other disaster and the risk of their being tampered with. And anyhow if there should be another election held, the sooner the result is known and the worry and anxiety is over the better for all concerned.

Must Canvass Vote.

The members of the committee express confidence that the vote will have to be canvassed and that the January election will not be held.

They assert that whatever irregularities did take place were as the result of the rulings of the board and the Lambersonian advice given it. If all the irregular votes are thrown out, it is affirmed that the general result against division would not be changed, but on the contrary the vote for anti-division would be increased.

Moreover if it is decided that voters have the right to register up to the day of election there are 150 or more voters favorable to Fresno that were not polled on the 10th. Kings county polled its full vote so that assuming that all will vote as they did before, Fresno could poll a larger vote in the event of a second election.

Carl Cason, charged with assault with deadly weapon, was held to answer to the Superior court yesterday by Judge Briggs, and bound fixed in the sum of \$500 which he was unable to furnish.

Testimony was introduced at the preliminary hearing to show that on the night of September 14th, A. G. Schaefer, a Southern Pacific brakeman, was in the livery of the Ogle House, drinking with some friends, when Cason came in.

There had been some hard feeling between the men and the quarrel was renewed. As Schaefer left the barroom he was struck in the right shoulder with some sharp instrument thought to have been a knife. He was not sure who struck him, but thought it was Cason.

He was removed to a hospital, where he has since been confined. He has lost the larger portion of his right lung as a result of complications that developed from the wound.

John Cogan, vice president of the New York Life Insurance company, is in Fresno.

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DEATH SUMMONS A NOBLE WOMAN

Mrs. Emily A. Knepper Passes Away of Pneumonia.

Mother of John and Frank Short and Pioneer Woman of Fresno,

Word came to Fresno by telephone from the Copper King mine yesterday morning at 10 o'clock of the death of Mrs. Emily A. Knepper, which occurred half an hour earlier at the family homestead on Fancher creek near the mine. Mrs. Knepper had been ailing for about three weeks, but the first information of her serious illness came on Monday. Dr. McMurry of Clovis, stating that she was threatened with pneumonia. Her sons, J. W. and F. H. Short, and her sister, Mrs. W. M. Cardwell, accompanied by Dr. Howell, immediately went to her bedside. Her condition at that time was considerably improved and the conclusion reached that the crisis had probably passed and that recovery might be expected. The weakness of sons and infirmity were such, however, that there was not the strength to resist a change for the worse occurring yesterday morning, when this well-known and well-beloved woman passed to her eternal rest. Her husband, her youngest son and her sister were at her bedside, the end coming so suddenly that there was no time to notify other members of the family in Fresno.

Mrs. Knepper had reached her sixtieth year, having been born in Wilkesburg, Ohio, August 29, 1835.

With her parents, William S. and Sarah Wharton, she went to Shelly county, Missouri, in childhood, where she was subsequently married to Hamilton Short, the father of John W.

Frank H. Short of Fresno, the only surviving children of that marriage.

Hamilton Short died at the early age of 32 years from exposure in the federal service of the Civil war. In 1866

she was married to Hugh Knepper, an early pioneer of California, who had returned to his former home in Missouri, and who survives her. One son,

Charles A. Knepper, was born at this marriage and now lives at the family home. From Missouri the family removed to Nebraska. From there twenty-six years ago they came to Call-

ifornia and located in Fresno county, where they have ever since lived.

The first few years were spent in the town of Fresno, but more than twenty years ago Mr. and Mrs. Knepper removed to the foothill farm, where they have lived since that time. Besides the relatives mentioned, Mrs. Knepper is survived by two brothers, F. A. and W. W. Wharton of Fresno colony. Her eldest brother, F. A. Wharton, and her father, both died in Fresno several years ago.

Mrs. Knepper had been a member of the Methodist Episcopal church from childhood and belonged to that school of Christian womanhood that lives earnestly and faithfully in accordance with their faith in the divine law. She was always diligent in personal charities and aid of the unfortunate, and her kind and helpful acts are gratefully remembered by many people. Mrs. Knepper was of that type of noble pioneer women that is rapidly passing away. Their lives are examples of faithfulness and unselfish devotion to others that the world needs and is the better for having had.

The funeral will take place this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the residence of Frank H. Short, 2125 Calaveras street.

OBERTIN SMALL SUM ON WORTHLESS CHECK

D. Gedson Charges T. M. Williams With Obtaining Money Under False Pretenses.

Judge Briggs issued a warrant yesterday for the arrest of T. M. Williams on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses, upon complaint of D. Gedson,